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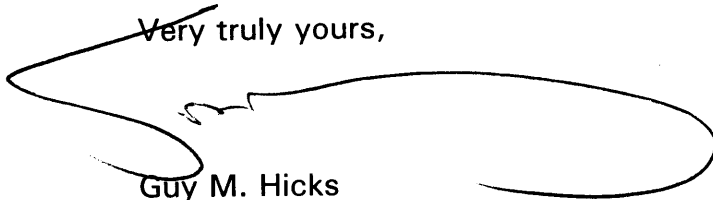
Re: Status Report - *Third Party Bill Block*
Docket No. 00-00339

Dear Mr. Waddell:

As requested by the Authority during the May 9, 2000 regularly-scheduled Directors' Conference, BellSouth is providing this status report with respect to Third Party Bill Block. System testing of Bill Block continues. A review of test results is in progress, with testing anticipated to be completed by mid-to-late August. The proposed tariff package was filed August 1, 2000.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please let me know.

Very truly yours,



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